

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: ROTH et al.

Group Art Unit: 3733

Serial No.: 10/774,272

Confirmation No.: 8488

Filed: February 6, 2004

Examiner: James L. Swiger III

For: BONE FIXATION SYSTEM

Attorney Docket No.: 8932-876-999

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

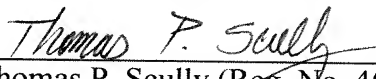
Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the non-final Office Action dated December 28, 2006 be extended for a period of 2 month(s) from March 28, 2007 to and including May 28, 2007.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$450.00 (large entity). Please charge the required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 18, 2007

  
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